

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

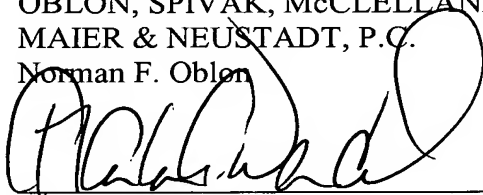
The indication in the Office Action that Claims 22 and 24 are directed to allowable subject matter and the Examiner's discussion with the undersigned are noted. Claims 22 and 24 have been rewritten in independent form, which will moot the art rejections and place the case in condition for allowance.

The preambles (and dependencies, where appropriate) of Claims 2-12 and 15-19 have been changed to have those claims depend directly or indirectly from Claim 22. Claims 13, 14, 20, and 21 have been canceled.

In view of the foregoing revisions and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in immediate condition for allowance and a USPTO paper to those ends is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned should further changes be required in the case prior to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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